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VINAL HOUSE

In Memoriam

CATHARINE H. DANFORTH.

Catharine Hancox Danforth, daughter of J. Romeyn and Prudence L. Danforth, of New London, passed on into the abiding life on the nineteenth of March. She had just submitted to a major operation which it was hoped would free her from conditions which for ten years had made surgery necessary from time to time. But the spent body could bear no more.

She was born in St. Albans, Vermont, in 1898. The family removed to Auburn, Maine, in 1901, and to New London in 1903, when her father accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Church of Christ. And here most of her student days were passed. First she entered a little private school taught by Mrs. W. C. Pathie. From there she transferred to the public schools, where she studied in the Robert Bartlett School and the Nathan Hale Grammar School, before entering the Williams Memorial Institute, from which she graduated in 1916.

After a year of illness she went to Abbot Academy, at Andover, Mass., for two years. Returning home she entered Connecticut College, majoring in fine arts, and, after four happy years in the college to which she was loyally devoted, she graduated with the degree of B. S. in 1923.

To make further progress in art she went to Miss Child's School in Boston, living at the Stuart Club. She had practically completed her studies there, and had been recommended by the Principal to be head of the art department in a boarding school at Grand Rapids, Michigan, when failing health compelled her to return home.

In spite of all she suffered, her life was a happy one. She viewed all things bravely and with a cheerful humor which was the delight of all her friends.

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VIRGINIA ROSE'S MESSAGE TO ALUMNAE.

Dear Alumnae:

As I understand it, one of the first duties of the incoming president of the Connecticut Alumnae Association is to notify all the members that she is at least alive and conscious of the fact that she is holding office. I became aware of this last month on receipt of a very nice letter from Alice Horrax Schell, in which she took great pains to tell me where we were at in Association matters and gave me her blessing as I start off on the last lap of her term of office.

I had just got back from my first summer in Europe (simply have to drag that in some way, and this seems a good place), but on hearing from Al, of course I ceased thinking and talking about my trip at once and just began to concentrate on Alumnae Association matters—studying over minutes of meetings, writing letters to Association officers, okaying bills, trying to remember to which of the Warner families Pauline, Editor of the "News", belongs, etc. Between whiles I slept a little, ate more (alas for my vanishing school-girl figure!) and spent whatever time was left over on my job, so you can all see that I have been a very busy officer.

I really feel that (the writer of course excepted) the Association has a most capable and efficient lot of officers. No one could ask for a better secretary than Margaret Baxter, and Janet Crawford How is certainly doing her part as treasurer—awful job, too! Has everyone paid up her dues, by the way! Why waste your own Association money by making postage for a second notice necessary? (That argument just occurred to me, and seemed so clever and unanswerable I felt I must put it in. Maybe Janet has thought of it, too, but it will bear repeating.)

I'm sure Prent is mothering the Chapters in her usual comfortable and capable manner, and will doubtless tell you about things herself in a future issue. I'm merely reminding you here to watch out carefully for what she has to say. Of course I could go on through the whole list of officers (and probably Pauline and her staff need something to fill up space—all married and unmarried

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION REPORT June 13, 1927.

The ninth annual meeting of the Connecticut College Alumnae Association was held June 13, at 9.30 a. m. in the library.

In the absence of the President, Mrs. Alice Horrax Schell, '20, Miss Marenda Prentis, '19, First Vice-President, conducted the meeting.

The Secretary read the Association minutes of the meeting held June 14, 1926. These were accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Mrs. Janet Crawford How, '24, the Secretary (Continued on page 2.)

members are especially urged to lend their sympathetic attention and send contributions; the rest needn't bother), but I will say only that I can't imagine a finer group to join, and if the ship goes on the rocks it will be my fault!

Something tells me that tonight we are to have our first frost of the season. That and the first furnace fire should, of course, be simultaneous, but something about my machinery missed connections, and I am practically congealed at my desk. However, like the faithful boy who stood by his dike in spite of his own discomfort, I (modestly!) will do my duty though I freeze. And though my fingers are cold I assure you that my sentiments are very warm. (Bright and so original!)

And now to come to the *raison d'être* of this letter (see "ad" in all magazines: "How I Astonished My Friends By My Fluent French"), I hope that everyone had a restful or stimulating summer, as her case required, and that all are back at interesting work of some kind. Whatever it is and wherever it is, don't let it make you forget that part of your job is active membership in the C. C. Alumnae Association. In the name of the officers of the Association I broadcast to you all greetings and good wishes for the coming year.

Faithfully yours,

VIRGINIA C. ROSE, President.
Proctor, Vermont.

read the Treasurer's report, for 1926-27, which is summarized as follows:

Total Receipts,.....	\$1,243.35
Total Disbursements,.....	1,034.28
Balance in Checking Account,...	\$209.07
Balance in Sinking Fund,.....	283.84
Total Cash in Hand,.....	\$492.91

Budget for 1927-28 (Estimated).

Following the acceptance of this report the budget for 1927-28 was presented as follows:

Traveling Expenses,.....	\$175.00
Graduate Secretary's Salary, ..	300.00
Printing—Reply cards and bills,	\$75.00
Stationery,	50.00
Postage, "Alumnae News" and Letters to Alumnae,.....	100.00
Dues—A. A. U. W.,.....	25.00
Dues—General Alumnae Council, ..	20.00
"Alumnae News",.....	400.00
Petty Cash Accounts:	
President,	10.00
Secretary,	10.00
Graduate Secretary, ...	10.00
Athletic Chairman,	5.00
"News" Editor,	5.00
Conference Expenses,	50.00
Extras and Unforeseen Ex- penses,	25.00
Total Budget,	\$1,260.00

Increase Graduate Secretary's Salary

Due to a technicality regarding the Graduate Secretary's salary the following recommendation was made by the Executive Board: That the Graduate Secretary shall receive \$300 from the Alumnae Association instead of \$200, thus making a cash increase of \$100. This increase is recommended not because of additional duties being imposed upon the Graduate Secretary, but because of the present duties being enlarged as the Association adds new members.

This recommendation was approved and accepted by the meeting.

It was moved and passed that the proposed budget for 1927-28 be accepted as presented above.

Chapters Discussed.

Miss Prentis, First Vice-President, who has conducted an active effort to establish local chapters on firmer foundations, presented a fine report of their activities. In order to create even a greater interest in chapters it was suggested that there be competitions open to all chapters and reports of these be published in the "Alumnae News." It was also suggested that tentative programs be presented to chapters so that there might be a greater feeling of uniformity among these alumnae groups.

Honorary Members Considered.

At the spring meeting of the Executive Board a request was made for appoint-

ing honorary members to Chapters. Any chapter desiring to include in their meetings persons not graduated or even ex-members of Connecticut College may invite such persons to become honorary members of their group.

Miss Agnes Leahy, '21, suggested that a few words be included in the minutes in appreciation of Miss Prentis' splendid efforts on behalf of chapter activities. The chapters have had a more profitable year under her guidance and counsel than ever before, and great are the expectations for 1927-28.

Miss Mary Wheeler, '23, Second Vice-President, reported on Alumnae Week-end activities.

There was a report from the Editor of the "Alumnae News", Miss Pauline Warner, '27. Under the present administration of the "Alumnae News" it has become a quarterly publication.

The Graduate Secretary, Miss Lois Gordon, '26, reported on her activities for the Alumnae Association.

Sykes' Fund Situation Reported.

Harriet Taylor, President of the Class of 1927, was present at the meeting and desired to report to the Association concerning the annual Sykes' Fund program given by the Senior class. Miss Taylor reports that the undergraduates nowadays have little interest in raising money for the fund because it is a concern in which they really have no associations. Her report elicited a discussion of a fitting memorial to Dr. Sykes. This is a matter which is already in the hands of a committee and at this time a motion was passed as follows: It is the consensus of opinion of those present at this meeting that we Alumnae feel something smaller than originally planned, will have more spirit, than prolonging the gift, and it was urged that there be a report next June from the Sykes' Fund Committee in the form of a definite recommendation.

To Investigate Alumnae Funds Elsewhere

An announcement was made that at the Executive Board meeting in the spring a committee was appointed to look into the idea of Alumnae Funds as worked out by other colleges. Miss Virginia Hays, '24, is chairman, and Miss Esther Batchelder, '19, with two other members constitute the committee. This committee is investigating funds with the intent of finding out whether such plans as are worked out elsewhere might be feasible for us.

Alumni Associations Confer.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the Alumni Secretaries, Alumni Funds and Alumni Magazines was held this year at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The Connecticut College Alumnae Association has been a mem-

"SO I SAYS TO HER—"

1919.

From the land of Ozarks came a letter from Florence Carns, where she has been traveling about through Oklahoma, Nebraska and Missouri, of which experience she says:

"My motive was the opportunity to study at first hand educational conditions, and I took up salesmanship as a means of support. It has been a valuable experience, though I found I couldn't travel as far as I liked."

A card from Firenze brings word that Virginia Rose was a member of the C. C. Alumnae body who enjoyed a European trip this last summer.

From one or two of the faithful correspondents we have gleaned news of several of our classmates:

"Dorothy Upton is back at St. Agnes' School in Albany. Lucy Marsh Haskell has been spending the summer at Ocean Point, Maine, and went to Moosehead for a week.

"Evelyn (Bitgood) Coulter and her husband and Jane took a motor trip to Akron, Ohio, this summer.

"Margaret Maher and Frances Otten took a trip to Cape Cod in Margaret's car, stopping at New Bedford on their way back to see Evelyn.

"Esther Barnes has a new Chevrolet, in which she and a friend took a fine trip this summer to Lake Champlain

ber of this organization for two or three years and this is the first year that a delegate has been sent from our Association. The Secretary reported as briefly as possible about a very full conference where there were numerous and helpful sessions relating to alumnae funds, dues, publicity, magazines, chapters, and the relationships between the Alumnae Association and the undergraduates, faculty and trustees.

Official Appointments.

An announcement was made that Miss Farbara Tracy, '27, has been appointed by the out-going Senior class to serve as a member of the "Alumnae News" Board for 1927-28.

On account of illness Mrs. Alice Horrax Schell, '20, has been obliged to resign as President of the Association. Miss Virginia Rose, '19, has been appointed by the Executive Board to perform the duties of President for the remaining portion of the present term.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET E. BAXTER,
Secretary for the Alumnae Association.

and back by way of Cape Cod. She is teaching again in Cossackie, N. Y., and has her sister as a pupil this year.

"Anna Buller has come to New York to work in Frances Otten's office."

Priscilla Ford Schenk is '19's newest mother, as far as we have learned, but the name of our youngest classmate we are yet to learn.

Norma Regan is now teaching in Hartford, where her family has moved.

Grace Cockings writes of several pleasant C. C. re-unions with classmates whom she has seen at home, or elsewhere this past summer: May Buckley, Frances Otten, and Margaret Maher, Alison Hastings Porritt, and Norma Regan. She renewed C. C. days with Helen Wooding Rowe, ex-'20, by way of a hot dog roast up in the hills.

After a five-day trip alone, in her car, Edith Harris reached the end of a 1,000 mile auto trip to her new work, that of feeding some 150 students in one of the halls of Alabama Polytechnic Institute, at Auburn, Alabama. In addition, she says: "I feed thirty football boys at 'training table'. Their menu is vast, exclusive and troublesome." Among the problems of her work, she mentions, "that of being three to four days away from all food supplies, and that of adapting myself to Southern menus."

From our class president, Prent, comes a letter full of news from Boston and vicinity:

"Ruth Potter is doing some very interesting weaving, in fact, she was booked to give an exhibit of her work at Arts and Crafts, Boston, some time in September. I didn't happen to see it, but I saw the things this summer. They were beautiful. Marion Kofsky Harris, Ruth Potter, Dorothy Dart, and I got together several times this summer.

"Speaking of C. C.'s second generation: My niece is a Senior at C. C., Roberta Bitgood. I think she's the first niece of a graduate there, isn't she?

"Ruth Anderson is practicing here (Boston).

"A personal bit of news: At Fitchburg Normal School this summer the Massachusetts Officers' Association held an Institute. They had lectures on various kinds of county work (for the week). I gave two lectures: 'What is a Visiting Teacher?'; 'The Unadjusted Child in School'. It was quite interesting. They were the old variety of 'truant officers', most of them, three women in the group, all the rest men. Then the last week of June, I was the guest of the National Committee of Visiting Teachers at their

annual staff conference in New York. It was a great experience."

"Prent's" address is now South End House, 20 Union Street, Boston, Mass.

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1920.

Eunice Gates, now Mrs. George Roemer Woods, is the mother of a young son, Gurdon Roemer Woods, born June 7.

Marion Hendrie Milligan and her family are now living at 513 Maple Street, Emporium, Penna.

Leah Nora Pick was married on August 16 to Clarence Joy Silber, at Highland Park, Illinois.

Helen Gage was married on Tuesday, September 6, to Winston Carter, at Painesville, Ohio. She will live at 1506 South Boulevard, Houston, Texas.

The able conductor of our Mothers' Department, Kathryn Hulbert Hall, is putting her last year's studying into practice by starting a nursery school.

After three years in Colorado, Marion Warner came East to spend the summer with her family, and has now gone to the Pacific coast, where she will devote the winter to study and research in chemistry, at the University of Oregon, in Eugene, Oregon.

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1921.

Ella L. McCollum, Class of 1921, very successfully passed her preliminary examinations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy at Columbia University on September 26 and 27.

Immediately after graduating from Connecticut College, she received an appointment as research assistant under Professor H. C. Sherman, department of chemistry, Columbia University, where she was engaged in nutritional research problems. For the last two years, she has been research assistant in child welfare at the Teachers' College, Columbia University, under Professor Mary S. Rose, noted authority on nutrition, and author of many books, including "Feeding the Family."

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Agnes Leahy is back again at her desk at C. C., after her trip to Europe as leader of the Connecticut College group who toured abroad in the interest of international understanding and friendship between the youth of all countries.

After a summer spent pleasantly in learning the mastery of golf, and in taking a trip in her car to New Hampshire, Dorothy Pryde has returned to her duties at New Haven High School.

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1922.

The Class of 1922 celebrates its Fifth Reunion.

1922 is growing up. Five years since

tassels changed from right to left on the mortar boards! Sixteen are married; there are fourteen children; and twenty were back to reunion; and the total enrollment of the class is 42.

Saturday, June 11, members of the class straggled back. Some thought they were in the wrong place, so many changes had occurred on the campus during the last five years. The dreams and hopes of our college days are being realized in the improvements of buildings and grounds, but we never realized these changes could come so soon and in such abundance.

Among those who returned were: Ruth Bacon Wickwire, Margaret Baxter, Abby Carley, Helen Crofoot, Mary Damerel, Blanche Finesilver, Constance Hill (now Mrs. Freeman Hathaway), Ruth Rose Levine, Catherine McCarthy, Marguerite Mills Murphy, Augusta O'Sullivan, Amy Peck Yale, Ann Slade Frey, Marjorie Smith, Claudine Smith Hane, Eleanor Thielen Wunch, Gertrude Traurig, Helen Tryon, Marjorie Wells, and Dorothy Wheeler. Ruby Tracy Wegman was the only ex-member who was present at our banquet.

In the Dutch Room at the Mohican Hotel the class gathered Saturday evening for our fifth reunion banquet. President and Mrs. Marshall, Dr. and Mrs. Wells, and Miss Nye as our honorary members joined with us in the celebration. We adjourned in time to return to campus to see the annual commencement play.

Sunday morning brought more reunion activities—a picnic breakfast at the precipice where Janet Wendell Frey, our class baby, and Julius and Elizabeth Yale were our guests of honor. Elizabeth Yale, being only seven months old, observed the procedure from her basket; Julius was carefully anchored by a rope to a tree, and Janet played about while every one of her adoring aunts kept a vigilant eye open lest she go too near the precipice's edge.

The class of 1922 participated in the Class Day program by appearing in costumes representing Totem Poles. The reunion activities, on the whole, were quite informal allowing ample time for groups to get together, to renew college friendships and to become acquainted with those we had not known well in college.

Absent members who, for various reasons, could not get back sent greetings by letter or telegram. We had a letter from Gertrude Avery in India.

Immediately after the reunion Blanche Finesilver very ably edited an issue of the Totem Pole—that little pamphlet that has been brought forth occasionally to keep alive the spirit and good will of

1922. We all look forward to our tenth reunion in 1932 and are hoping that the number who will return will be even larger than at our fifth reunion.

MARGARET BAXTER.

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Address Wanted—Lucy McDannel, 1922, who studied at Yale Law School receiving her LL.B., in 1925, and whose last address was 130 East 57th Street, New York City, is among the missing. If anyone knows her whereabouts will she please let the Personnel Bureau at College, or Margaret Baxter, George School, Pa., know?

Constance Hill is now Mrs. Freeman Hathaway, of South Orange, New Jersey.

Wrey Warner, ex-'22, spent the summer in Denmark, at the Nils Buk School of Physical Education, on the Island of Fin, being one of a group of American girls who joined the Danish summer school with a student body representing many other countries.

1923.

From Mildred Seeley comes a long contribution concerning her work:

"Am working as supervisor of paroled girls in the public institution here (Louisville). It is a most modern institution with very good equipment and staff. The children are both dependent and delinquent and give us plenty of work to keep after them.

"Kathryn Moss, '24, is here in Louisville with her mother, and fortunately I see a good bit of her.

"There are several students from the New York School of Social Work here in Louisville whom I knew when I studied in New York City, and the director of the field department of this institution is from Winsted, Conn."

Helene Wulf was married to Ralph E. Knup, of Philadelphia, June 13. Mr. Knup graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1922, and is a brother of Ruth Knup, C. C., '26. Mr. and Mrs.

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Taken at Commencement 1927. A1 is the pajama class of 1924. A2 is the reuning class of 1922, among which are Janet Frey, class baby, and Amy Peck Yale's two children. A3 shows the charming Juniors with the laurel chain.

EDITORIAL STAFF

Editor-in-Chief—Pauline Warner, '26
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PRIZE OFFERED FOR STUDENT PLAY UPHOLDING FAITH IN LIFE.

The startling number of suicides among college students during the past year has led a patron of the Repertory Theatre of Boston to offer \$1,000 for the best American play which shall hold up faith in life to the youth of America. The announcement of this prize has been made by the trustees of the Repertory Theatre through whom the award will be made. The competition is open to any person who shall have been a student in any college, university, or dramatic school in the United States at any time during the calendar year of 1927.

The committee of final award will consist of Winthrop Ames and David Belasco, theatrical producers, Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America and head of the newly organized society, The Church and Stage, Dr. John H. Finley, former Commissioner of Education of New York State and editor of the "New York Times", and Mrs. Frances Jewett, representing the trustees of the Repertory Theatre of Boston.

All plays to be considered in this competition must be of sufficient length to provide a full evening's program. They must be in the hands of the trustees of the Repertory Theatre by midnight of December 31, 1927, or have been placed in the mails by that time. The rules of the competition further provide that each play must be typewritten on one side of the paper only, that each play must be submitted anonymously with the name and address of the author in a sealed envelope attached to the manuscript, and the play should be addressed to the Prize Play Committee, the Repertory Theatre of Boston, 264 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Mass. Manuscripts will be returned, after announcement of the play award, if return postage is enclosed. A person may submit more than one play, but each play must be submitted under separate cover.

The donor of the prize has imposed the condition that the award shall be

given for a play, the purpose of which shall be to inspire faith in life in the youth of America. The writer may employ comedy to teach the joy of living, or tragedy to reveal the value of human life. Emphasis will be put upon the spiritual in distinction from the material values of life.

In addition to the prize of \$1,000 a scholarship in the Repertory Theatre Workshop will also be awarded to the successful contestant. The prize play will be produced in the Repertory Theatre of Boston during the season of 1927-1928, and will become the property of the Jewett Repertory Theatre Fund, Inc. Any income derived from this play will be used to promote the drama in accordance with the purposes of this fund. If two plays shall be judged of equal merit, the trustees will award two scholarships and will divide the prize of \$1,000, or if in their judgment the plays are of exceptional merit, two prizes of \$1,000 each will be awarded.

The Repertory Theatre of Boston, which this fall celebrates its 400th week of repertory, was founded by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jewett and their associates, is owned by an incorporated fund, the Jewett Repertory Theatre Fund, and is conducted by a board of trustees as a civic theatre without private profit. It is the only civic repertory theatre in America, exempt from city, state, and federal taxation as an educational institution. In its scope the theatre is professional.

ATTENTION! ALUMNAE!

By the death of Professor Holmes last March, Connecticut College lost one of its best friends. She was not only a friend to the chemistry student, but to all the students. For that reason a group of loyal C. C. Alumnae have started a fund known as The Mary E. Holmes' Memorial Fund, which, when sufficient, will be used at some future time for either equipping a laboratory or a balance room. Already \$80 has been collected and deposited in the Mariners Savings Bank of New London. Ruth McCollum, Class of 1921, Mansfield Depot, Conn., is the Treasurer of the Fund, and will be very glad to receive contributions or pledges.

Found—An alumnae pin with a 1924 guard. This pin, found on the hospital grounds at Canandaigua, New York, was sent to Edith Clark, '17, graduate secretary, Connecticut College, New London. The owner may claim the pin by writing Edith Clark and establishing ownership title.

A LOSS TO 1924.

It is with a sense of great loss that the class of 1924 announces in the "Alumnae News" the death of one of its members, Gertrude Craven.

Following a long illness, Gertrude Craven died July 25 at the home of her parents in Washington, D. C.

She received her Master of Arts degree from George Washington University. She had been employed for some years as secretary to the assistant librarian of the Public Library in Washington. Dr. George F. Bowerman, public librarian, spoke of her as "one of the most sincere, honest and conscientious workers" he had ever known. Those who knew her as a student at Connecticut College know the truth of his praise and remember Gertrude's quiet sincerity and loyal friendliness.

Her father, writing to President Marshall shortly after Gertrude's death, said: "It is a joy for us to remember what unmeasured pleasure and benefit her student life gave her. Connecticut College, with all its associations, was a large part of her life in these recent years. Through all her sickness, her spirit was splendid and her courage never faltered."

SYKES' MEMORIAL FUND.

Not long after the death of Dr. Sykes, in October, 1917, friends within and without the college, wishing to express in a very definite way their deep respect and admiration for the valuable, untiring contribution of the first president of the college to its early administration and organization, founded the Sykes' Memorial Fund. Although for several years in deference to the campaign for the college endowment fund, active work on the Sykes' Fund has been held in abeyance, the Fund continues to grow.

At present it amounts to more than \$2,000, which is safely lying in the bank. In addition to the interest which it is earning, the Fund has been increased nearly every year by a generous gift, raised by the graduating class of the college.

The present plan of the Sykes' Memorial Fund Committee, of which Winona F. Young, '19, is chairman, is to add to the Fund until it is sufficient for the gift of a Student Alumnae Building to the college.

BOSTON CHAPTER

President—Connie Parker, '25.

Vice-President—Al. Holcombe, '23.

Secretary—Elizabeth Fowler, '27.

Treasurer—Ruth Anderson, '19.

Chairman Entertainment—Frances Augier, '26.

Elected at first fall meeting, October 18, at a dinner party held at The Brick Oven Tavern, 40 Joy Street, Boston. Everyone is working hard for the November Bazaar of which Helen Hood, '26, is chairman.

Christine Pickett, '23, is now Mrs. Vincent P. Keleher and lives at 33 Lawn-dale Street, Belmont, Mass. Her husband is a Yale man, Class of 1917, and is with the J. L. Hammett Company of Cambridge. The Boston Chapter of C. C. Alumnae is glad to welcome her this winter. Her wedding took place on June 29, 1927.

AN EDITORIAL APPEAL

(Stolen in full.)

"If you have a bit of news,
Send it in.
Or a joke that will amuse,
Send it in.

A story that is true;
An incident that's new,
We want to hear from you!
Send it in.

Never mind the frills or style,
If the news is worth the while,
It may help, or cause a smile,
So send it in!"

—Reprinted from Girl Scout Column,
"Hartford Times."

The Poetry Contest, announced in June, is to remain open until January 1, 1928, or until such time as at least six alumnae have submitted verse. A contest cannot be a contest unless people contest. (That is obvious.) But since it was and is the feeling of the editors of the "Alumnae News" that there is poetic talent among the alumnae, the proposed contest will not end until due time has proven the editors mistaken. So, with the permission of the judges, entries will continue to be received. Entries should be mailed to Pauline Warner, 403 Main Street, Middletown, Conn.

REPORT OF STUDENT TOUR.

During the summer months Miss Leahy and a group of thirteen Connecticut girls went to Europe on a tour conducted by the Open Road, an organization in connection with the International Students' Hospitality Association, which enables students to visit Europe, meet their fellow-students there, and be entertained by them in the various countries, thereby seeing not merely the countries themselves, but also the life of Europeans. Those of us in the group consider ourselves very fortunate in having been able to do this, for we feel that besides doing the sight-seeing that most travelers do, which of course is interesting and instructive in itself, we have seen and done many things which otherwise would not have been possible. For instance, our guide during our stay in England was the daughter of the Dean of University College, Oxford. Through her we were introduced to the Dean of Chester Cathedral, known in the newspapers as "the cheerful dean", and were invited by him to have tea in the old monks' refectory. Cheerful indeed, he was, full of fun, yet dignified; a most charming gentleman. We count that visit with him among the very loveliest moments of the summer. Also, because our guide knew the Archdeacon of Westminster, a very old man, he showed us the Jerusalem Chamber where Henry IV died, a room in Westminster Abbey to which the ordinary tourist is not admitted. Likewise, in La Hague, we were conducted into every room in the Peace Palace (some of them are not open to visitors), and were entertained at luncheon in the palace itself by Dr. Mulen, director of the international law library there. Again, in Geneva, we met Mr. Giddeons, a leader in the Pan-European movement, and we were the guests of the American Committee at the League of Nations.

Although we were away from home only about two and a half months, we visited England and Scotland, Holland, Belgium, Luxemburg, Switzerland and France; and in order to see so many countries in such a short time, we had to keep moving rather fast. Everywhere our hosts were so eager for us to see everything in their particular town and for us to have the best time possible, that they nearly killed us by kindnesses, nor could they understand why we had to go to bed before midnight even though we might be taking a six o'clock train the next morning. Although we traveled only by day, we slept a good deal on the trains (at least so it seems!) and devised a method whereby we could lean on each other quite comfortably for a

nap. In between winks, however, we caught glimpses of the beautiful countryside through which we passed!

It was rather unusual in a group of fourteen for no one to speak French, but such was the case with us. Consequently, we had some rather amusing experiences, though on the whole we got along surprisingly well. The very first day that we crossed the border from Holland into Belgium, wanting to change our money into Belgian francs, one of us accosted a policeman in her very best French, asking where we could find a bank. Whereupon he replied, also in French, that he could not understand English, could she speak French? Well, that was rather discouraging, wasn't it, for a first attempt? However, several days later we discovered that it was really the policeman's fault; he was Flemish and couldn't understand good French when he heard it!

Another time, with much deliberation, one of the party asked hesitatingly at a candy counter, "Madame—avez-vous—du—chocolat—au—lait?" And when she received "Non" for an answer, it was far beyond her power to reply anything, but grunted "Ugh" in perfect despair. Nor did we know the word for "toothpaste;" after searching our French wits for it, and having found the exact word we wanted (!) we strutted into the store with a great French air about us and without hesitating asked, "Monsieur, creme pour les dents, si'l vous plait." "Ladies," he replied in perfect English, "is it toothpaste you wish?"

On both our voyages there and back we traveled student third-class where, when the weather wasn't too rough, we had lots of fun and met many interesting people. One day two old maids, first-class passengers, were "slumming" down to third-class to see for themselves just what these students really were like. One was heard to remark, surprised, "Why, my dear, they're really not so bad. They even dress quite respectably." "Yes," admitted the other with disgust, "but I'd hate to see them eat."

And now I may say, in closing, that we have enjoyed a wonderful summer, one which I am sure none of us can forget, for no matter how many times we may go back to Europe, we will never go in just this way and we will never repeat our experiences of this year.

M. M. S.

Genevieve Delap, '26, was married October 29 to Lansing Spear at Stamford, Conn.

"AND SHE SAYS—"

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Knup are living at 172 Broadway, Norwich.

Alice Ramsey is studying at Columbia this winter, and living in New York City.

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1924.

Catherine Wells was married to A. Stanley Duncan of Brooklyn, on June 25. Among the bridal party were Virginia Eggleston and Edith Langenbacher.

Marie Jester is doing social case work in Hartford at the State Bureau of Child Welfare.

Edith Kirkland is in New York for the winter.

Harriet Warner is studying at Teachers' College, Columbia, and is living with her sister, Juline, '19, in Leonia, New Jersey.

Helen Forst is a field worker at the Connecticut State Hospital.

Elizabeth McDougall is serving as a hostess one day a week at the Montclair Y. W. C. A.

A long letter from Elinor Hunken brings news of her varied and fascinating experiences in Chicago:

"We had two good C. C. reunions at weddings here this summer. First, Billy Bennett, '25, was married, and there was a goodly showing of us on hand to cheer for her.

"Then came Charlotte Lang's wedding, and what a grand time that was for us all! Marge Thompson, '26, and Elizabeth Wigfall, '24, came west for it, and it was like a breath of good air from Fifth Avenue to see them.

"Harriet Heile, (ex-'26), is over at Sears-Roebuck with me, for a few days, helping us clear up a jam of letters. All the farmers the country over are writing in now, asking how to make their homes cozy for the long winter months. It's really great fun to help them out.

"My work here is fascinating. I came out in June to start the Interior Decoration Department for Sears, Roebuck & Company. It's a wonderful institution to work for. Our department answers all sorts of inquiries about decorating. We also work with the various home furnishing departments, to help them select the right merchandise. We write leaflets, and booklets and a whole course in Interior Decoration which is being sold for \$4.95. We decorate apartment houses, and camps and clubs, and some private homes around Chicago, and we broadcast every day. It was a great struggle getting it all started, but it's going beautifully now, so I'm going to turn my job

over to someone or other, and go back home. I'll hate to leave."

From a Hartford paper, we clipped this item:

"Of interest to Hartford is the marriage of Miss Dorothy Susan Brockett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart James Brockett, of North Haven to Mr. Harold Eben Terry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eben J. Terry of Waterbury, which took place in the North Haven Congregational Church Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rev. David P. Hatch performed the ceremony. The church was decorated with autumn leaves, dahlias, cosmos and hydrangeas. Mr. David A. North, organist, played.

The bride who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white satin trimmed with orange blossoms. Her veil of net edged with lace fell from a band of orange blossoms and was caught with orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white roses and swansonias. Miss Martha Brockett, who attended her sister as maid of honor, wore a dress of peach color crepe de chine with an overskirt of white lace. She wore a black velvet picture hat and carried a bouquet of butterfly roses. The bridesmaids were Miss Elizabeth Osborn of West Hartford, Miss Mildred Brockett, of North Haven, cousin of the bride, Miss Agnes Jones, of Willimantic, classmate of the bride, and Miss Edith Coughlin, of Wethersfield. They wore bouffante dresses of taffeta and velvet, two of Nile green and two of coral. Their bouquets were of different shades of pink cosmos.

Mr. Stanley A. Terry attended his brother as best man. The ushers were Mr. John Brockett, brother of the bride; Mr. William Wright, of Louisville; Mr. Malcolm Spinning, of Bloomfield, N. J.; and Mr. Robert Gillette Mack, of Hartford. Miss Lydia Marvin, of Deep River, sang 'I Love You Truly' and Mr. John Allison, of Columbia, S. C., sang 'All For You.'

The reception which followed was at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Terry left by boat for Galveston, Tex., and will then go to Houston where they will make their home. The bride is a graduate of the Connecticut College for Women. Mr. Terry was graduated from Wesleyan in 1924. He is a member of the Alpha Chi Rho Fraternity."

Martha Bolles is a student in the New-ark Museum Apprentice Class.

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1925.

Margery Field gave up her work to marry Kenneth Root Shaw of Northamp-

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A PAGE FOR MOTHERS

Dear Mothers:

Won't you write to us more stories and news of C. C.'s younger generation? We always want snapshots of your babies, too; so please don't wait for the busy Editor to write to each one of you a personal request. Just sit down and write the name and date on your latest snap of Peter and Joan and send it along for our next Alumnae issue.

This time we are proud to introduce Bobbie Gregson Slocum, son of Dorothy Gregson Slocum, '21, "a snap taken during the heat wave in July" writes his mother. (A wonderful picture of joy and health, say we.)

His young cousin, Philip Sperry Slocum, aged 4 months, is here seen with his mother, Jeanette Sperry Slocum, '22, and promises to be a husky rival. His birthday was last June 23.

We have just received two pictures of the children of Irma Smith Barrows, ex-'19, and want you to meet Marcia, aged 4½, Robert Ames, aged 2½ and Jean, aged 5 months.

'19, '20, and perhaps '21, will remember Irma in connection with the Zoo lab, and Dr. Osborne! She is now living in Wellesley and hopes to join the Boston Chapter of C. C. Alumnae.

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Someone suggests that we might start a **Household Hints** column with recipes and trade-lasts from C. C. mothers. Are you game? Please let's hear from you. It takes more than one to make a revolution!

Someone else suggests that we start a **Brides' Column!** The summer and fall contributions to the members of this department bid well for a 100% response.

"A Thousand Ways to Please a Husband," with Bettina's best menus!! Who will be responsible for this column?!!

(We once heard rumors of a **Page for Single Girls!** Now is the time to start something. Let's have some more ideas!)

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Talking about starting something, the Editor finds her hands full with that Nursery School group mentioned aforetimes. Is someone else doing it, too? Any group of mothers can start a **Coöperative Nursery School** for their children from 2 to 4 years. Send to the Educational Secretary of the American Association of University Women for their list of Reference Pamphlets (1634 Eye Street, Washington, D. C., in which you'll find listed "How to Start a Coöperative Nursery" (10c); "A Nursery School Experiment"; "Stunts in a Play School";

"Play Equipment for the Nursery"; "A Catalog of Play Equipment"! etc., all obtainable for a very small sum.

We have four infants of 2 and 3 years who come together, three mornings a week, from 9 to 11.30 a. m. for play and fun. The most important service to give such teeny-wee ones is to teach them to wash their own hands, for instance, and learn concentration through "do—with toys", coöperation in one or two group activities, such as passing and pouring milk successfully; and a sane, happy well-rounded development with stress on the physical side most of all—good balance, strong muscles, freedom of activity, through spontaneous play!

An alert watcher-on-the-sidelines is the Nursery School teacher's chief role, which, simple though it sounds, is not so easy a task as may seem. More later as we progress! P. S. Be sure and get plenty of nice smooth planks and some empty boxes for your backyard playground!

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Here is a story gleaned from a recent Alumnae dinner when three mothers sat together gossiping over their coffee!

"Once upon a time a small boy became interested in collecting butterflies and went to his father with puzzled brow to ask how he should go about it. His father being a business man and no naturalist told him to go to the Public Library and ask the librarian for books on the subject. After some time the little fellow came trudging home with a neat volume tucked under his arm and a happy grin on his face.

"Well, son," asked his father—"Did the librarian pick out a nice book for you?"

"Oh, I got a dandy book, Dad, but she didn't get it for me. I picked it out all by myself from the shelves."

And proudly he handed up to his father's astonished eyes, "Advice to Prospective Moth-ers!"

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Emily Slaymaker Leith-Ross, '23, sends the latest picture of E. Elizabeth at the age of four months. "She belongs to the British side of the family," writes Emily, "having her father's blue eyes, fair hair, and elongated figure."

(3) Jean Barrows, 5 mos., youngest daughter of Irma Smith Barrows, ex-'19; (5) Bobbie Gregson Slocum, son of Dorothy Gregson Slocum, '21; (1) Philip Sperry Slocum, 4 mos., with his mother, Jeanette Sperry Slocum, '22; (4) E. Elizabeth Leith-Ross at 4 mos., daughter of Emily Slaymaker Leith-Ross, '23 (2) Marcia Barrows, 4½ years, and Robert Ames Barrows, 2½ years, two oldest children of Irma Smith Barrows, ex-'19.



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NEWS! NEWS! NEWS!

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ton, Mass, on June 18. Mr. Shaw is a graduate of M. I. T., class of 1926.

Charlotte Tracy is working in the sporting department of the Halley Company, in Cleveland.

Emily Warner has returned from Europe, where she was a member of Agnes Leahy's group of C. C. students to visit the other side in the interest of international understanding and friendship.

Helen Hewett was married in June to John Crawford Webb, a graduate of Annapolis, 1920, Harvard School of Business Administration, 1927. They will live at 304 Harvard Street, Cambridge.

Charlotte Lane became Mrs. Roy Carroll on August 31 in Chicago. She writes: "Evelyn Ryan, '24, and Helen Edwards, ex-'26, were my bridesmaids. Quite a group of 'college' from out-of-town were here, among them Elizabeth Wigfall and Elinor Hunken, Phyllis Jayme, and Marjory Thompson. My husband and I are going to drive around France a while on our wedding trip, but will spend most of the time in Paris as Savant to study the modern art at the exposition; we'll return the last of October."

And from the press of many duties attendant upon moving, and participation in the work for a League fall play in Bronxville, Phyllis Jayme found time to send a generous contribution with much news of interest to her classmates:

"The first of June I was in Boston, and after that I went on to Connellsville, Pennsylvania, to be bridesmaid at Sara Jane Porter's wedding. She is Mrs. Copeland Merrill now, and lives in Wellesley. It was a perfectly beautiful wedding. Lila Gallup, Ruth McCaslin and I were her bridesmaids.

"From there I went to Pittsburgh, after visiting there I spent three weeks on Burt Lake in Michigan, thence to Chicago. In Chicago I attended Charlotte Lane's wedding, with her lovely reception at the Drake Hotel.

Grace Bennett (Mrs. John Neween), was also at the Lang-Carroll wedding.

An item from the "New York Herald-Tribune," Oct. 16:

"The marriage of Miss Grace Mansfield Demarest, daughter of Mayor and Mrs. Charles H. Demarest, of Bloomfield, N. J., to Dr. Irving Sherwood Wright, of Bloomfield and New York, took place last evening in the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Bloomfield. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. William T. Wilcox.

Miss Helen Van der Veer Boyd, of Bloomfield, was maid of honor. The other

bridal attendants were Mrs. Charles Teabo, a cousin of the bride, and Miss A. Helene Sherff, of Bloomfield; Miss Helen H. Nichols, of Yonkers, and Miss Idell F. Godard, of Hartford, Conn.

Mr. Eugene Diven Buchanan, of Highland Park, Ill., was best man. The ushers were Mr. Harold Hunt Demarest, brother of the bride; Dr. R. Angus Nichols, Jr., of Richmond, Va.; Dr. Dean Marquis, of Winona Lake, Ind.; Mr. John King Berresford, of Niagara Falls; Mr. Henry C. Cornehlsen, Jr., of Philadelphia; and Mr. C. Arthur Metzger, of Bloomfield.

The church was decorated with palms, autumn tinted chrysanthemums and fall leaves. The bride was gowned in white transparent velvet, draped on one side, and wore a tulle veil with a wreath of orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of roses and lilies of the valley. The maid of honor wore apricot velvet and carried russet colored chrysanthemums. The bridesmaids were gowned in transparent velvet of green and peach and carried arm bouquets of chrysanthemums.

The ceremony was followed by a reception at the home of the bride's parents at 83 Clarendon Place.

After a motor trip through the South Dr. and Mrs. Wright will reside at 88 Munroe Place, Bloomfield."

Helen Brown plans her wedding and marriage to Paul Elliott of Asbury, N. J., on October 22, in Larchmont.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Gertrude M. Locke of Newton Upper Falls, Mass., daughter of H. E. Locke and the late Mrs. Locke, to Louis P. Starkweather of Plainfield, N. J., son of Mrs. Starkweather and the late L. P. Starkweather. Miss Locke was graduated from Miss McClintock's School, 1921, and Connecticut College, 1925. Mr. Starkweather is a graduate of Tufts, 1921, a member of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity and is now connected with the Wall Street Division of New York University.

Judson Biehle, Tech, '27, is a champion tennis player. He proved this on September 10 when he won the cup in a mixed tournament in Newton having Gid Locke, C. C., '25, as his partner.

"Mrs. Rolfe Marsh (Verna Kelsey). has a second child—a son, born September 27. His name is John Capron.

"I saw Dot Roberts (ex-'25), one day in New York. She is working at Hornblower & Weeks, and loves it.

Elinore Kelly became Mrs. H. C. Moore on October 4. Ensign and Mrs. Moore will make their home at West Somerville, Massachusetts.

Rumor has it that Sally Dodd Murphy has the class baby.

Winifred Smith Passmore writes that she and her husband spent part of the summer on R. O. T. C. duty at Fort Sheridan, Illinois. After visiting in the East and even touching New London, Winifred is now back at St. John's Military Academy, Delafield, Wisconsin.

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1926

In addition to a number of items concerning members of '26, incorporated in the foregoing news from '25, the following bits have come to us from another correspondent, Harriet Stone:

"Anne Plumb, ex-'26, was married to David Hadlow of Morristown, West Virginia, on October 1.

"Grace Parker Schumpert has moved to Madison, Wisconsin, where her husband is student Y. M. C. A. secretary of the University.

"I wish I could tell you about the shower party which was given for Alice Hess at Dot Andrew's Camp in Glastonbury this summer" continues Harriet. "K. Dauchy told me about it." Harriet herself has returned to Torrington again, and is located at the same address.

Helen Hood writes from 100 Beacon Street, Boston:

"I will be here until the first of February when I expect to take a trip with the family to Florida and the West Indies. Will return just in time to make plans for being married in the early spring. My sister, Sabra, was married September 17 here at the farm."

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1927.

Helen McKee, '27, is working for an orthopedic surgeon in Boston. She gives corrective gymnastics to some of his patients and is writing a book for him on feet, for which she is doing research work in the Boston Medical Library. "It is very interesting," she writes, "but it still seems strange to sit for more than five minutes at a time."

Margaret Rich, '27, is teaching all four years of English in the High School at Collinsville, Conn., and seems to be having some trouble maintaining the proper dignity. She writes "Well, I've developed some real 'facultyish' ways' now. My chief difficulty is in suppressing my sense of humor. When I scolded one of the seniors he said, 'But you always laugh when we fool'."

Mary Crofoot, '27, as assistant to the Director of Admissions declares there couldn't be a "better or nicer boss than Dr. Leib." As house fellow of Schaffer House she felt a bit queer at first but her Freshmen treat her like a human being, call her "Mary" and make noise

even if she is around, so that she doesn't really "feel a thousand years old yet."

Ruth Stevens and Ruth Hitchcock are working in the same department at the Aetna Life Insurance Company, Hartford. They do statistical work.

Miriam Addis and Margaret Battles both teach at the High School in North Canaan, Conn. Miriam teaches History and secretarial subjects while Peggy teaches French and English. They are living together.

Natalie Benson, Mildred Dunham, and Annise Clark are going to the Library School, at Columbia University.

Lois Gregory is training in department store work at Macy's in New York.

Ethel Woodruff is head of Girls' Clubs at Haverill, Mass., and Louise Macleod has a similar position in Attleboro, Mass.

After a summer in Europe, Winifred Maynard has started working in the office of the Vacuum Oil Company, Cleveland.

Frances Fletcher, '27, toured Europe this summer. After leaving the tour she joined her aunt and uncle with whom she has traveled in Spain and Southern France. In December they go to Egypt and Turkey. Her tales are extremely interesting. She writes, "We took a trip through the Pyrennes which was most delightful. We spent five days at a little mountain town, taking long hikes up into the mountains, following some winding trail up and up—with a rushing brook at our side—until we came to some tiny crystal lake, resting among the peaks with glaciers in the distance. We stopped at Lourdes where we saw great religious festivities. People came from miles about to worship there—and hundreds of invalids come hoping to be cured by some holy vision. At night the people marched (some 25,000 or more), around the great basilica, carrying long candles, a mass of light, and singing 'Ave Maria'. It was a most impressive spectacle. Then there were the people who climbed the great mountain behind the basilica—barefoot—who stopped before each group of holy figures, kneeling and kissing the ground. We visited Carcassonne too—the old city of the fifth century which has been entirely restored. Such ramparts and turrets; it almost seemed as if one should wear a helmet and sword at one's side!"

Pat Clark, graduate secretary, writes from campus:

"I have been frightfully busy with Alumnae business and getting Carter House working, not to mention getting Lois Bridge married. Now that I have three consecutive breathing moments I

shall endeavor to fling a little College dirt in your direction.

In the first place let me state that the campus is more than beautiful this fall—shrubbyery has sprung up overnight, Reservoir Street is walled and paved anew, the back entrance is an expanse of green lawn, the river seems bluer and the sky nearer. The gym has been enlarged, or perhaps I should say that the stage has been enlarged and the gym redecorated. It is scarcely to be recognized as the "temporary building" it used to be. The Tea House is under the managership of Miss Moxon (has a sister in the class of 1929), and Miss Ruth McCaslin, C. C. '26. Jerry Jerman, '27, is there also but is not a manager. Mary Crofoot, '27, is back as Dr. Leib's assistant in the office. There are many new faculty.

We have 186 Freshmen—enough for any college; they are exceedingly attractive. I know that all Alumnae, ex-members and such would be proud of their successors.

There are many young sisters in the Freshman Class—Kay Eggleston (sister of Virginia), Ruth Canty (sister of Eleanor), Anne Ebsen (sister of Margie), and Allison Durkee, Sophomore transfer, (sister of Peg Durkee). (There are many other sisters, but sisters of undergraduates.) Oh yes, Jerry Smith (sister of Madeline), and "Kewpie" Hulbert (sister of Olive). I hope I haven't omitted any!

I dunno' any more campus news—no new faculty babies or anything exciting, no new rules or radical ideas. Perhaps the absence of Clark, the janitor in Knowlton House for 2 years, has caused the greatest distress of the year. For one darkie he was liked better than any I ever saw. Eldridge claims to be an "outside man", in other words, he mows lawns, etc. Lovey is among the absent.

Friends of Miss Ernst will probably be glad to hear that she is much improved and once more holds classes in New London Hall.

And I guess that's all the dirt I can sweep up for the time being.

We have several matrons in the class of 1927. Among them are Helen Tatum Muth, Lois Bridge Ellis, Lillian Dauby Gries, Frances Williams Wood, and Laura Drake Langmuir. Frances Williams and Lois Bridge disgruntled their friends by having their weddings the same day and the same hour. Otherwise all weddings ran smoothly.

Jerry Jerman enjoys her work at the tea house very much. She has purchased a very good-looking Packard with her profits. The campus looks for a Rolls

Royce any minute now. Mary Crofoot is an able assistant to Dr. Leib.

We have many teachers in the class. Peg Woodworth and Midgie Halsted are teaching in Port Jervis, New York, Mary Storer and Loie Penny in Jamaica, Long Island, Lyda Chatfield at the Oxford School in Hartford, Bony Hopper at the Howe-Morot School in Thompson, Connecticut, Harriet Taylor at Loomis, Cora Lutz in Danielson, Conn., Peggy Battles and Miriam Addis in Canaan, Conn., Ruth Battey at the Friends' Select School in Philadelphia, Esther Hunt at the Friends' Select School in Baltimore. Eleanor Chamberlin is coaching athletics at St. Agatha's School in New York. And Sally Carslake is teaching at Miss Baerd's School in East Orange, N. J. Grace Trappan is working in a bank in New York. Janet Paine is living in New York and attending Secretarial School with Floss Surpluss. Mary Wilcox is studying social service in New York. Natalie Benson is studying at Columbia. Esther Chandler is working at the Walk-over Club in Brockton, Mass. Kay Foster is studying in Boston. Heavens, I forgot to say that Izzy Grinnell is married also—her last name is Simons, I think. Marion Lamson is studying at Miss Buve's in Boston (some question as to the spelling). Alice Owens is the secretary in some large private school in St. Paul. She also teaches. Louise Wall is studying at Miss Child's School in Boston. The dramatic club presented a short play the other evening at the first amalgamation meeting entitled "Masquerade." It was written by Bobbie Wall. It was received very well. Paducah Wheeler is visiting her friends in the North, much to the pleasure of the friends.

Of general interest to C. C. will be the news that Dr. Todd, formerly college physician, and last year of Winthrop College, is now living in Jenkintown, Pennsylvania. She is on the faculty of Temple University, Philadelphia.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS.

Frances Augier, who spent part of the summer in Europe, is now back in Framingham.

Eleanor Canty is working at Jordan-Marsh's.

Elizabeth Damerel is teaching History and English in Westerly High School.

Annette Ebsen has a new secretarial position in New York.

The Gillettes have been seen in the East, visiting familiar haunts before going back to live in California.

THE FIRST PRESIDENT.

Ten years have passed since that October morning, in 1917, when the news was flashed across campus that the first President of Connecticut College, Frederick Henry Sykes, had passed away suddenly in his home in Cambridge, Mass. No one who attended chapel services that morning, or the impressive memorial services held at college on the day of the funeral can easily forget the sense of loss that pervaded the hill-top on that occasion. For those of us who had known him recalled not only the scholar whom the world of learning mourned, and one whose name is destined to remain long in academic memory, but a classmate of human interests, and a leader of vision and inspiration whose words have burned themselves into our consciousness past all forgetting.

In those ten years, Connecticut College has grown from an incompleeted undergraduate body of some two hundred to an established institution, with a student body of nearly six hundred, and an alumnae organization of about an equal number. And in those ten years, the name and spirit of Connecticut College has made its way into fields of service, familiar or new, into branches of labor demanding the training for which C. C. has always stood—that of a cultured woman trained with purpose and vision for service to mankind.

And the graduates of the college on the hill by the sea have indeed gone into all the world—from Alaska to South America, and from Europe to far-away India. Verily, even in the passing of a single decade, have the words of one of the first college hymns been realized. For not alone in this land, but already over the world has the flag of our college been unfurled.

—'19.

Lois Gordon is about to begin work at the Women's Educational and Industrial Union in Boston, assisting the director of the Handwork Shop.

Ruth McCaslin is general assistant to the new proprietress of the Swan and Hoop at college.

Hazel Osborn is an executive secretary for Gaines, Van Nostrand & Morrison, Inc., real estate agents in New York.

"Ellie" Whittier has recently announced her engagement to——?

HONORS FOR C. C. ALUMNAE

Dorothy L. Ayres, '26, has received two first mentions in a competition held by the Beaux Arts Society of Architects, and a \$50 prize awarded by Mr. Whitney Warren, of that society.

Dora Milenky, '25, has been awarded a scholarship at the University of Pennsylvania, for study in the classical department of the university.

Dorothy Cannon, '26, was offered a fellowship at the University of Wisconsin, for this year.

Barbara Tracy, '27, attended the summer school of the Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole, Mass., on a scholarship awarded by the trustees of our college. A teaching scholarship of the value of \$800 has been awarded Miss Tracy by Western Reserve University, for the present college year. She is assisting in the zoology department, with half time free for graduate work.

A HIT OR MISS GLANCE AT COLLEGE.

By An Anonymous Soul.

Such changes on the campus! You wonder if it really is the same hill-top college. You hear exclamations about the two-hour lecture in the History of Architecture where smelling salts are passed around in the second hour to keep the interested students in a more receptive mood.

You saunter into New London Hall going to the end of the corridor. One peep into the Art rooms shows Miss Sherer midst inspired students who paint fascinating Egyptian jewelry problems. The walls are hung with glorious pieces of crewel embroidered linens borrowed from the Hartford Museum. The locker room is no longer a dark hole. A door into the other room is partly responsible and the pottery room has become an unmistakable textile room. The kiln has departed (Ruth Holcomb bought it), and the room has given up its austere aspect of skew-gee desks, to be supplanted by three long tavern tables, with black, water-proof covers neatly secured to the legs. Who said that order was an essential to Art?

A familiar sound issues from the basement of Plant: the droning of voices to the unforgettable "f g j h—f g j h." Lovey and Eldredge are no longer disturbed by it however. Another couple has taken up their work. When "Paine" was asked to take a steamer trunk to the basement he calmly said, "Just a minute," disappeared, returned with gloves on to accomplish the handling of the trunk. I saw him wear

INTERCOLLEGIATE HISTORY

Connecticut Enters Debating League

(Reprinted from February and March issues of the "C. C. News.")

Connecticut to Debate with Eastern Colleges.

Connecticut College has accepted the invitation of the Intercollegiate Debating League to become a member. The League consists of Vassar, Smith, Mt. Holyoke, Wellesley and Radcliffe. The invitation came to Connecticut as a consequence of the withdrawal of Barnard.

It involves immediately active participation, the choice of two, three-man teams, of which the affirmative will remain here to debate the Smith team, and the negative to debate Mt. Holyoke at South Hadley. The question is, "Resolved, That the Philippine Islands Should Be Granted Their Independence," and the

Debate is to take place on March 19.

The short time thus allowed for preparation means that highly concentrated activity will be necessary, and all of this preparation must be done exclusively by the students, research, formulation and coaching. On Wednesday night, January 19, a meeting was held for preliminary organization. Dorothy Bayley was appointed by Cabinet to act as Chairman of the Debating Council, and she announced at that meeting the other members of a temporary council, Margaret Elliott, Constance Green, Frances Reed, and Alice Owens. Minnie Watchinsky was appointed as Chairman of the Research Committee.

Troyouts will be held shortly after examinations, and if there are any persons interested either in the actual speaking or the research, who were not at the meeting, they should speak to Dorothy Bayley.

Connecticut feels that a high honor has been conferred upon it in being asked to join the League, but the support of the whole student body is needed to make it successful.

those same gloves as he performed the regular morning round and, whether from necessity or from choice, I know not, but he was using a carpet sweeper rather than the thunderous vacuum cleaner. Perhaps the vibrations assuaged his sensitive nerves.

You must go on to the transformed gymnasium to be truly impressed. The gorgeous blue curtain which hangs before you in place of the one we all know, is artistically framed by cream-colored walls and dark walnut-stained woodwork. Rumor has a strange story that the curtain made the walls obnoxious, the new walls made the woodwork unbearable and the new woodwork made the chairs offensive. The chairs are still the color they always were—so—probably it all is only rumor. The stage has been deepened by ten or fifteen feet, giving ample room for activity behind scenes and making possible the seating on the platform of a whole Senior Class at Commencement.

I just won't speak about the shrubbery for much of the new planting needs a heap of forgiveness for living.

There are no Student Council meetings lasting way into the morning. An ideal college body or an efficient system! I was told that no one seemed overworked from student government activities and I couldn't help thinking how the infirmary will miss the spring visit of the St. G. President.

Enough of the changes! The spirit is still mighty wonderful, truly democratic, and good to feel effervescing cordiality around you!

Lines for a Busy House-Wife!

It's pleasant to lie in bed and think
That while you are supping your coffee
or tea,

The slant-eyed Jap or the yellow Chinese
Is trotting into a temple to pray
While the monkeys are leaping in sportive play

Through banana trees in India today.
And the Red Sea swarms with long pearl boats

Where the coolies dive while the rich man floats

Lazily watching the cloudless sky
And dreamily ever wondering why
The crocodiles shed bitter tears in the Nile;

And the Libyan slave in the land of Punt

Fills his purple sash and his baggy front

With diamonds black from Hatshetsup's Mine,

And porphyry green and emeralds fine—
But this is an eighth of what I think

As I lie in bed and dreamily drink
The coffee or tea they bring to me!

—"Arabella."

